

NEW HAVEN TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 10, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Downing called the monthly meeting for November to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call: Councilman Bristol, Councilwoman Schmidt and Supervisor Downing present. Councilman Parkhurst absent. The minutes of the October 11th monthly meeting were read and approved by motion of Schmidt, second by Bristol. Unanimously carried. The minutes of the October 14th special meeting were read and approved by motion of Bristol, second by Schmidt. Unanimously carried. The minutes of the October 19th Planning Board meeting were read for information only.

OLD BUSINESS

Uniforms: Tri-State has submitted a final bill. It includes three weeks that they did not deliver uniforms along with other charges that are in dispute. Due to Tri-States failure to deliver for three consecutive weeks before the contract was canceled it is the board's opinion that Tri-State is in breach of contract and therefore not entitled to the fee for early contract termination. The Town Attorney will be asked to draft a letter to this effect to Tri-State.

Use of Town Roads by Snowmobiles: Tabled.

Revaluation: Briggs Appraisal has submitted a revised timetable for the revaluation work.

2006 Budget: Motion by Bristol, second by Schmidt to accept the tentative budget for 2006 as the final budget for 2006. Unanimously carried. The rate for the general budget is \$86.40 per 1000 of assessed value. This is the same as last year. The rate for the Highway budget is \$188.90 per 1000 of assessed value. This is up \$4.10 or .022% from last year.

Board of Assessment Review Position: No responses were received from the legal notice published last month. The matter was tabled and a box ad will be run.

Intermunicipal Agreement for Highway services: A signed Intermunicipal agreement has been received from the Town of Scriba.

NEW BUSINESS

Combining of Town Properties: Motion by Schmidt, second by Bristol ask the assessors to combine the Town's three properties for tax purposes. Unanimously carried. This was suggested by Real Property and will save the Town money when the water lines are installed.

Flags: The flags have been taken down along St. Rt. 104. Several of them are in poor condition and will be properly destroyed when the Boy Scouts have their next ceremony. It was suggested that the Town replace one third of the flags each year. The matter was tabled.

Training for New Town Officials: The Association of Towns is offering a couple of options for training New Tow Officials. Information is available from the Town Clerk.

Sticks Sportsbar/Grill and Hotel Liquor License: Notice has been received of Sticks Sportsbar/Grill and Hotel's intention to renew their liquor license for two more years.

Generator: The capabilities of the Town's generator were discussed. The generator runs the highway department but does not run the heat, lights or outlets in the Town offices. Roger Peck suggested that it may be possible to pick up a slightly used generator from Fort Drum at a reasonable price if the need arises.

Programmable Thermostats: Programmable thermostats will be installed in the Municipal building to save on energy costs.

Data Entry Clerk: Motion by Schmidt, second by Bristol to hire Shannon Lago for 5 hours per week for 4 weeks at a rate of \$7.50 per hour to enter the old building permits into the computer so that the Building Inspector will have easy access to the information for future use. Unanimously carried.

Councilman Vacancy: Motion by Bristol, second by Schmidt to appoint Charles Yablonski to fill the Town Councilman position left vacant by Virginia Halsey through the end of the year. Unanimously carried.

Bookkeeper Resolution: Motion by Schmidt, second by Bristol to approve the attached resolution transferring funds to overspent accounts. Unanimously carried.

REPORTS

Dog Control Officer Report: Read.

Code Enforcement Officer Report: Read

Town Clerk Monthly Report: Read. Motion by Schmidt, second by Bristol to accept the Dog Control Officer, Code Enforcement Officer and Town Clerk reports as read. Unanimously carried.

Highway Report: The snowplow turnaround on Boothe Rd. has been completed. The board discussed rather to sell the 78 dump truck that is no longer in use. It was decided to keep it for parts.

Supervisor's Monthly Report: Read and approved by motion of Bristol, second by Schmidt. Unanimously carried.

AUDIT OF TOWN BILLS

Highway Bills: Vouchers # 219-245 totaling \$35,281.42 were read and duly audited by motion of Bristol, second by Schmidt. Unanimously carried.

General Bills: Vouchers # 361-413 totaling \$15,256.05 were read and duly audited by motion of Schmidt, second by Bristol Unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:29 by motion of Bristol, seconded by Schmidt. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. Allen
New Haven Town Clerk